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In re Patent Application of

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Serial No. to be assigned

Group: 2813

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Examiner: Christianson, K.

For: TITANIUM OXIDE FILM AND PRODUCTION APPARATUS OF TITANIUM
OXIDE FILM

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert the following paragraph before the first line on page 1:

This application is a division of Application No. 09/553,148, filed April 20, 2000,
pending, the entire content of each of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this
application.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-5 without prejudice or disclaimer.

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REMARKS

Favorable consideration of the captioned continuation application is respectfully requested.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification by the current amendment. The attached pages is captioned "**Version With Markings To Show Changes Made.**"

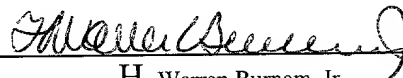
The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's deposit account no. 14-1140 in whatever amount is necessary for entry of this Amendment and the continued pendency of the captioned application, including but not limited to any necessary additional claims fees and extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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